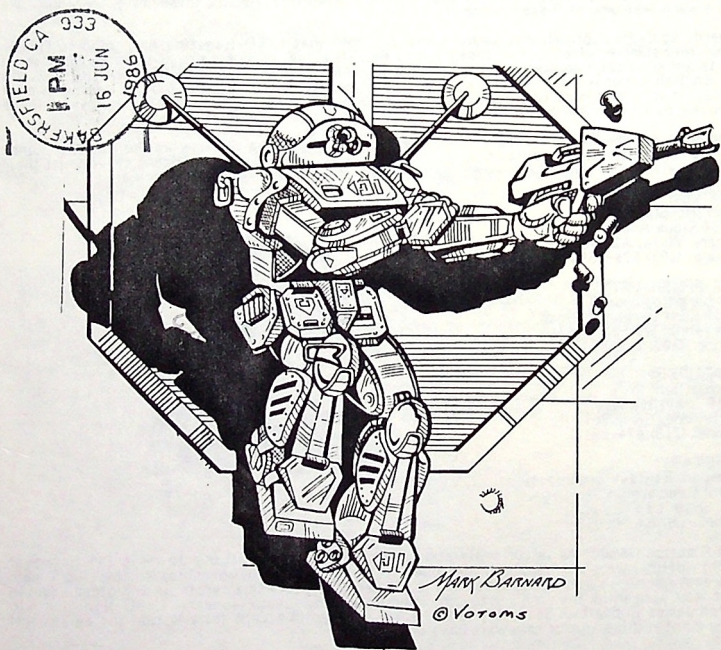


CARTOON / FANTASY ORGANIZATION

ELECTION NOTICE & MINI - BULLETIN



JUNE 1986

NOTES & MUTTERINGS

Hello Fellow C/FO Members!

Originally, we were get going to send out the new election notice and the Membership Update form and be done with it. Then I discovered a way to put out this Mini-Bulletin for the same price, so we decided to give it a try since it has been almost a year since the last C/FO publication, C/FO MAGAZINE #10 appeared. It's not much, but it is better than nothing!

We would especially like to welcome all the new members who have joined since C/FO Magazine #10 appeared. For many of these new members, this may be the first publication they have received from the C/FO. We are expecting a huge influx of new members as the C/FO was mentioned in both parts of the Japanimation article Fred Patten wrote which appeared in STARLOG this spring, we would like to extend a warm welcome to these newcomers as well!

In regards to C/FO publications, we have heard rumors that C/FO-Magazine #11 going to finally make it out this summer after an inexcusably long delay! However, one thing that every member of the C/FO is going to get this summer is a BAYCON 86 JAPANESE ANIMATION PROGRAM GUIDE. 56 pages of English synopses (by Miyako Graham and Toren Smith) of shows and features shown at BAYCON 86. It is a gold mine of information that is bound to be a big help to all fans of Japanese Animation. We owe Toren Smith and the BAYCON folks for this one, people.

Despite some rumors to the contrary, the general C/FO does have officers at the moment. Since the C/FO has no constitution or bylaws to specify otherwise, general C/FO officers serve until their successors are elected or until they resign their office. The C/FO's current officers are:

C/FO PRESIDENT:

Ann Nichols
4864 Sioux Ave
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
Phone: (602) 378-6596

C/FO VICE-PRESIDENT:

Barbara Edmunds
7309 East Pereshing Road
Cheyenne, WY 82001-9710
Phone: (307) 632-6947

C/FO TREASURER:

Alan Gillen
1016 Grevillea Ave.
Inglewood, CA 90301
Phone: (213) 674-0318

C/FO SECRETARY:

Cartoon/Fantasy Organization
Attn: Membership Secretary
401 South La Brea Ave.
Inglewood, CA 90301



The Election Committee is currently acting as club Secretary, but due to the great turn-over in this office, we want people to get used to sending their memberships to the club's main address, not to an individual person. Please use this address in spite of any other address that may appear in the C/FO-Magazine, should another issue appear. C/FO-Magazine #10 listed James Hudnall as Secretary when he had refused to accept the position and as a result many memberships and/or renewals have been lost!!!

Robert Gibson

David Stowell

Randall Stukey

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CURRENT (1985) ELECTIONS CANCELLED

It is with great regret that I must announce the cancellation of the general C/FO elections which I announced last year because of numerous election irregularities which have called into doubt the legal status of any officers who would have been elected under those elections. Randall Stukey of C/FO-San Antonio, a longtime student of parliamentary law, has pointed out numerous election irregularities, most of which would leave our elections open to a court challenge which could paralyze the C/FO for as long as it took the case to drag its way through our slow court system.

Many of Randall Stukey's listed election irregularities seem highly technical and even somewhat silly to me, however, I cannot argue with the following points:

- 1) Two candidates, one for C/FO President and one for C/FO Secretary, were left off the ballot.
- 2) The deadline for returning the ballots was never stated, but was arbitrarily imposed by the person receiving the ballots, without prior notice to the membership.
- 3) Because of mailing list and communication problems, numerous members of the C/FO (both old and new) did not receive a ballot.
- 4) Two candidates for office were actually conducting the election.

If you are interested in further details of these and other election irregularities, Randall Stukey has assured me that he will send a copy of his (now infamous) "Election Irregularity Letter" to any C/FO member who sends him a SASE and 20 cents to cover copying costs. Randall Stukey is NOT the only member who has pointed out problems with the 1985 elections, he (and C/FO-San Antonio) have just been more organized and vocal (and insistent: proper elections --- even in a little fan organization --- are evidently very important to Texans) than other members.

NEW ELECTIONS CALLED

I am calling for new elections immediately, to be completed by the end of December. Officers elected in these elections will serve through the summer of 1987 if the proposed C/FO Constitution is approved, if they are rejected, these officers will serve through the end of 1987. These elections are to be conducted according to generally accepted parliamentary procedure. The C/FO-San Antonio Select Committee on C/FO Elections (chaired by Randall Stukey; Robert Gibson and David Stowell, members) will be in charge of conducting these elections. This authority may not be transferred to anyone else without my written permission and immediate written notification of all C/FO members, although this Election Committee may appoint tellers and other assistants as needed. The above named Election Committee shall have full power to take whatever actions as are necessary and proper to conducting fair elections, subject only to a veto in writing by two of the three elected general C/FO officers: Barbara Edmunds, Alan Gillen, and myself. The following general guidelines will be followed:

- 1) Any member of the C/FO, not involved in conducting these elections (both those members on the above named Election Committee and those appointed by it to hold and count the ballots received are considered involved in conducting the elections), shall be eligible to run for (at most) ONE general C/FO office. The general C/FO offices are: C/FO President, C/FO Vice-President, C/FO Secretary, and C/FO Treasurer. Those members choosing to run must send typed platforms (of not greater than 1000 words or one page, whichever comes first) to the Election Committee's address given at the end of this letter. Such Platforms must be postmarked by the 15th of August 1986 and received by the Election Committee no later than 7 days after that date. All candidates for offices must be current members of the general C/FO as of the date they mail their platform and must remain current members THROUGHOUT the entire balloting procedure. All candidates must be of legal age in their state of residence and candidates for C/FO Treasurer must be bondable. All candidates should remember, when writing their platforms, that the powers of the general club officers are extremely limited and will remain extremely limited even if the proposed C/FO Constitution is defeated (i.e. don't promise things that may be beyond your power to deliver if you are elected).

As platforms alone do not give a clear picture of a candidate, campaigning will be allowed. HOWEVER, no general or chapter C/FO funds shall be used for campaigning. No smear tactics or "political dirty tricks" will be allowed. Candidates proved to be violating these restrictions may be disqualified by the Election Committee (on a unanimous vote of the committee's membership only).

- 2) Candidates for each office shall be listed alphabetically on the ballot and a space for a write-in candidate (any current member of the C/FO who is of legal age in his/her state of residence is eligible as a write-in) shall be provided for each office on the ballot. Ballots shall be mailed to all members of record (whose current addresses are known to the Election Committee) as of the first of

the month in which the ballots are to be mailed out. (September 15th is the target date for mailing ballots.) The date by which ballots must be RECEIVED (not postmarked) to be counted is to be stated on the ballot and is to be at least 6 weeks after the date the ballots are actually mailed.

3) Sealed ballots are to be used. However, in the interest of saving money, double-sealed ballots will not be used. If arrangements to do so can be made by the Election Committee, the ballots are to be returned directly to the people who will actually count the ballots.

4) If this election can stay on schedule, the results of this election should be announced at Dallas Fantasy Fair (November 14-16). If the schedule slips, the results are to be announced as soon as possible after the completion of the election. To be a valid report, the announcement must be signed by two of the following three people: Randall Stukey, the Chief Teller (the person who was in charge of actually counting the ballots), or myself. The results of the election (including all vote totals) are to be reported to all chapters, all candidates, all current officers, and the C/FO-Magazine (and the C/FO-Bulletin, if we have one again) by first class mail as soon as the results are announced. Newly elected officers shall take office on the first of January 1987. The complete results of this election, including vote counts, are to be reported in the next issue of the C/FO-Magazine (and the C/FO-Bulletin, if it exists).

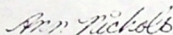
5) This election is to be paid for with C/FO funds. The treasurer is directed to pay for each stage of these elections (stages: printing and mailing [first class] this election notice and mailing list update; printing and mailing [first class] the platforms, the proposed Constitution, ballots, and other associated materials) from the club treasury promptly based upon the Election Committee's cost estimates for each stage of the election. The Election Committee is to keep an accurate account of the actual costs of each stage and submit a report to the treasurer at the end of each stage. Any excess monies advanced are to be returned to the treasury and any cost over-runs are to be promptly repaid by the treasury.

6) The proposed C/FO Constitution is to be voted on in this election. If approved (as the C/FO has never had a Constitution before, only a majority vote is needed to approve the Constitution), those officers elected in this election will serve under its terms.

7) The Acting C/FO Secretary is to keep the Election Committee updated on new memberships, renewals, address changes, etc. as requested by the Election Committee, but no less often than every two weeks.

Included with this election notice is a Mailing List Update Form. Please fill out and return this form to the address preprinted on it as soon as possible (by July 15, 1986, if you want to insure that you receive a ballot for the 1985-86 elections). Information on this form will also be used by C/FO-San Antonio and/or by the Acting C/FO Secretary to produce an expanded and updated 1986 Membership Directory.

Very truly yours,



Ann Nichols
C/FO President

THE ELECTION COMMITTEE'S ADDRESS

C/FO ELECTIONS
c/o Randall S. Stukey
4122 Tallulah
San Antonio, TX 78218-3452
Phone: (512) 655-2678

Please address all mail concerning the 1985-86 elections to this address. If you encounter any problems (like not getting a ballot), please write to the Election Committee AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

RANDALL'S REPORT

Hi folks! The name is Randall Stukey. Many of you have either heard from me or heard of me during the long process of straightening out the mess the election problems of last year caused the C/FO. However, the past is the past, and there is no sense holding grudges against whomever you personally blame for the club's recent problems! Forgive and forget, most of this club's problems are

apparently caused by a very few of the long-time members holding grudges that evidently date back almost to the founding of the C/FO! And new grudges on top of the old ones will only make things worse. I'm sure that despite the major problems with last year's elections they were held in good faith by people who were truly concerned about the future of the club.

TEMPORARY CLUB RULES

At the end of this Mini-Bulletin is a copy of a set of TEMPORARY operating rules for the C/FO. These rules are NOT the constitution that members will be asked to vote on later in the year, they are just a set of rules approved and imposed on the club by C/FO-San Antonio to allow the club to operate with some type of order until these elections are completed and the new club officers are installed.

The C/FO has muddled through without any type of rules since its founding and the lack of a basic set of rules has caused the club MUCH grief. The 1985 elections are not the first to be contested because of lack of clear rules as to who can do what when. The temporary rules printed herein are not an attempt to correct this, only a constitution approved by the membership (and not imposed by a single chapter) can do that. These temporary rules are simply a formalized description of how the C/FO has been operating since mid-spring. They are included simply because I feel you as a member have a right to know how the club is being run.

You may question C/FO-San Antonio's right to impose rules on the club. To be honest, despite a resolution we approved in February in which we "reserved all the powers generally associated with the general C/FO to C/FO-San Antonio", we probably do not really have such a right. However, we are now doing 80 to 90% of the work involved in running this club, so if you want the work done you'll just have to put up with our "quick fix" temporary rules! The only effect these rules will have on most members will be more things from the C/FO in your mailbox! If you don't like these rules, you don't have to put up with them for long!

MAILING LIST UPDATE

The center pages of this mini-bulletin are the Mailing List Update Form referred to in the PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. All you have to do is fill it out, fold it up, staple or tape it shut, place a stamp on it and drop it in your nearest mail box!

The current C/FO Mailing List is out-of-date and incorrect due to the large number of different secretaries the club has had in the past two years. Returning this update will allow us to correct the mailing list and put out a new and expanded Membership Directory in August or September. Your expanded listing would look something like the following

Stukey, Randall S. (WRITER, GAMER, PHOTOGRAPHER)	(512) 655-2678
4122 Tallulah, San Antonio, TX 78218-3452	Expires 11/86
San Antonio Chapter Executive, C/FO Board Chairman	Will Trade VHS
ANIME INTERESTS: Catseye-Cobra-Dirty Pair-Dunbine-Galaxy Express-L Gain	
SF/F INTERESTS: Lensman - Pern - Lovecraft - Comics - Fanzines/Asaps	

Those of you who have seen the previous directories realize how much more information this entry gives than previous directory entries have given. Although giving all this information will make the 1986 directory much larger than all previous directories combined, it will make communication among members that much more likely because members will be able to easily discover other members with whom they have common interests. This will make the membership directory especially valuable to what I call the C/FO's "forgotten members": those members who live in areas where there are no other C/FO members nearby! The whole C/FO seems to revolve around the chapters. There is nothing wrong with this, but we should remember that many of our members live nowhere near a chapter and try to do what we can to help them get involved with the club, too!

However your entry will look like the following if we do not get a Mailing List Update back from you:

Lostwell, Jim-Bob	UNKNOWN
1111 Somers Road, Somercity, CA 9101-1001	Expires ?????
ANIME INTERESTS: Unknown	
SF/F INTERESTS: Unknown	

So send in your Mailing List Update TODAY. Those who do not send in a Mailing List update will have no cause to complain if they do not receive a ballot or other club mailings (such as the Membership Directory and the Baycon book!). (Note that there are some optional questions on how you think the C/FO should do things, you do not have to answer these questions unless you want to)

PLEASE DO NOT LIST YOURSELF AS "WILLING TO TRADE" UNLESS YOU ARE TRULY WILLING TO TRADE TAPES EVEN: NOT "You send me two and I'll send you one" OR "You send me a tape and X

dollars for 'wear and tear on the machine'" OR SOME OTHER SCHEME THAT AMOUNTS TO SELLING, NOT TRADING, TAPES. List yourself as a "DEALER: Videotapes" if you must sell copies of your collection!

One final note on the mailing list, the C/FO currently has a couple of "secret members": people who do not want to be listed in the Membership Directory at all. Now I can understand not wanting one's phone number in the directory, but I CANNOT understand not wanting to be listed at all. However, an option to not be listed in the directory at all is provided on the Mailing List Update Form. However, anyone checking that line WILL NOT be allowed to vote or run for club office and may miss some C/FO publications because the mailing list and the membership directory are one and the same on the computer and we might forget to add you back in when it comes time to mail something out --- we simply do not have the time to maintain two separate lists because a couple of members want their membership kept secret, but we will do the best we can for you!

COMMENTS AND IDEAS WELCOME!

If you have any ideas or comments on the C/FO or what we are doing with/to it, please write us. We will read every letter we get, although I doubt that we will have time to personally reply to any (except through actions and/or future issues of the C/FO Bulletin)! Please address all letters of comment and/or complaint to:

Cartoon/Fantasy Organization
Attn: Board of Directors
401 South La Brea Avenue
Inglewood, CA 90301

CONTRIBUTIONS SOLICITED!

We are planning on starting a bi-monthly C/FO Bulletin again in the fall. We need contributions of artwork, articles, translations, anime news, C/FO news, chapter info, etc. to make it possible. This will be a FANZINE, not a professional magazine, so your work does not have to be of professional quality, let alone perfect. Send all contributions to the C/FO ELECTION address given in the President's Message! Come on, you creative folks out there, pack my mailbox!

FINAL IMPORTANT NOTE:

This Election Notice/Mini-Ballot is being mailed to all C/FO members who are on our membership lists and whose memberships are either current or expired after the end of 1985. If you know someone who thinks he/she is a member of the C/FO but did not get this mailing, their membership either was NEVER RECEIVED AT/REPORTED TO the club's main address or it expired sometime in 1985. Have anyone who falls into this grey area send all the details of their problem (including copies of any cancelled checks) and a SASE to the Membership Secretary (address on page 1) and we will do our best to find out their status.

Check the date on your mailing label. It reads Month/Day/Year. If the month is 06 or less and the year is 86, your membership has expired, you need to should renew as soon as possible to receive a ballot and future club mailings. If you think the printed expiration date (the month and year, do not worry about the day) is incorrect, write the membership secretary ASAP. Enclose any cancelled checks or other evidence and a SASE and we'll do our best to fix things up!

TEMPORARY CLUB RULES

TEMPORARY STANDING RULES GOVERNING THE OPERATION OF THE CARTOON/FANTASY ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, C/FO-San Antonio, by authority of the resolution approved by the chapter on the 9th of February of this year and by de facto status is temporarily running the general Cartoon/Fantasy Organization;

WHEREAS, the general Cartoon/Fantasy Organization has no effective and recognized rules to govern its operation;

RESOLVED, that the following rules shall be used to govern the general Cartoon/Fantasy Organization:

SECTION 1: BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

a) The Board of Directors of the Cartoon/Fantasy Organization (hereafter referred to as the C/FO) shall be composed of the C/FO President, the C/FO Treasurer, Randall Stuke, Robert Gibson, and David Stowell. Randall Stuke shall serve as Chairman of the Board and the C/FO President shall serve as Vice-Chairman. The Board shall have the authority to appoint other Board officers as necessary.

b) The Board of Directors shall have full power and authority over the affairs of the C/FO except that none of its actions shall conflict with actions approved by vote of the membership at a called general meeting of the C/FO at which a quorum is present.

c) The Board of Directors shall meet at the call of its chairman or by the request of any member of the Board. The quorum for conducting business shall be 3 members of the Board of Directors. The minutes of Board Meetings shall be available to any member of the C/FO and a summary of Board actions shall be published in all C/FO publications.

d) The Board of Directors shall be authorized to conduct its business by mail or by phone provided that on all issues where business is conducted by mail or phone, all members of the Board are contacted about the issue and are afforded reasonable opportunity to vote on the issue.

e) In the event of the resignation of one of the members of the Board of Directors specifically named herein, a replacement shall be named by C/FO-San Antonio by majority vote.

f) Actions by the Board of Directors may be overturned by a three-quarters vote of the general membership of C/FO-San Antonio present and voting or by majority vote at a called general meeting of the C/FO at which a quorum is present.

SECTION 2: 1986 GENERAL MEETINGS OF THE C/FO.

a) The following general meetings of the general (aka national) C/FO are authorized for 1986:

a meeting at Dallas Fantasy Fair (July 4-6)

(Con info: Bulldog Productions, P.O. Box 820488, Dallas, TX 75382)

a meeting at San Diego Comics Convention (July 31-August 3)

(Con info: P.O. Box 17066, San Diego, CA 92117)

a meeting at Worldcon (August 28-September 1)

(Con info: Confederation, Suite 1986, 3277 Roswell Rd, Atlanta, GA 30305)

a meeting at Dallas Fantasy Fair (November 14-16)

(Con info: Bulldog Productions, P.O. Box 820488, Dallas, TX 75382)

Additional general meetings may be authorized by the Board of Directors.

b) Each meeting shall be presided over by the first-listed person on the following list present at the meeting:

1) Ann Nichols

2) Barbara Edmunds

3) Randall Stukey

4) Robert Gibson

5) David Stowell

6) Fred Patton

7) Mark Merlino

In the event that none of the above listed members are present at a general meeting, a temporary presiding officer shall be elected in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

b) A temporary Recording Secretary shall be appointed by the presiding officer to record the minutes of the meeting. A copy of the minutes shall be forwarded to each member of the Board of Directors of the C/FO and to all general C/FO officers within two weeks following the meeting.

c) The quorum for conducting legally binding business shall be 195 members of the C/FO (that is, one-half of the membership of the C/FO as of June 8, 1986). Resolutions approved in the absence of a quorum shall be considered non-binding recommendations to the Board of Directors of the C/FO. If a quorum is considered present, it must be proved by a sign-in sheet with the signatures and printed names and addresses of all general C/FO members present which shall become part of the minutes of the meeting.

SECTION 3: CHAPTERS OF THE C/FO.

a) All chapters must meet the following criteria to be listed as an official chapter of the C/FO:

1) A chapter must have at least four current members of the general C/FO as participants.

2) A chapter must hold regular meetings/screenings (no less often than quarterly).

3) A chapter's presiding officer (elected or de facto) must be a current member of the C/FO.

4) A chapter must provide the general C/FO with the name and address of a contact person for the chapter, for listing on the chapter roster, and this address must be confirmed no less often than every nine months.

Chapters which DO NOT meet the above criteria will not be listed on the chapter roster.

b) Each chapter shall have full authority to govern its own internal affairs.

SECTION 4: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY.

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the C/FO in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Temporary Standing Rules and any special rules of order the Board of Directors may adopt.

SECTION 5: AMENDMENTS.

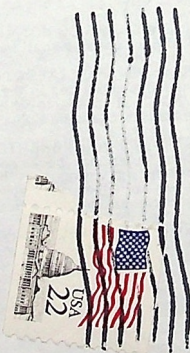
These rules may be amended by two-thirds vote of the general membership of C/FO-San Antonio present and voting upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors or by three-quarters vote with notice of the general membership of C/FO-San Antonio present and voting without the recommendation of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6: SUNSET PROVISIONS.

These rules and all actions of a continuing nature taken under them shall cease to be effective upon the installation of the officers elected in the 1986 C/FO elections.

EARTHCON / FANTASY ORGANIZATION

401 SOUTH LA BREA AVENUE
INGLEWOOD, CA 90301



**ATTENTION! 1986 ELECTION
INFORMATION ENCLOSED!**

05/28/87